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F. S. A. ENDORSES HOME OWNERSHIP HERE; TEMPORARY STAY FOR THOSE OVER LIMIT

MAYOR MAURER RESIGNS TO TAKE CHICAGO JOB



HENRY H. MAURER

Henry H. Maurer tendered his resignation as mayor of Greenbelt at a special meeting of the Town Council called Monday evening, announcing that he had accepted a position as Aircraft Inspector for the Civil Aeronautics Authority that would take him to Chicago. Councilman Gawthrop moved that Mayor Maurer's resignation be accepted "with regret" and he was seconded by George Warner.

Mr. Maurer stated for himself and his family that they had enjoyed their stay in Greenbelt "to the fullest extent", and that they were leaving the town and all their friends regretfully. He mentioned especially his appreciation of the cooperation of the town management, the Town Council, and most of all, the citizens of Greenbelt, throughout his term of office.

Winfield McCamy, Town Clerk, presented Mr. Maurer with a letter of commendation on behalf of Roy S. Braden. The members of the Council individually voiced their regret at the mayor's resignation and wished him success. Mr. Vincent presented him with the gavel he has wielded at Council meetings since the Fall of 1938.

Mr. Maurer and his family moved to Greenbelt in October, 1937. He was first elected to the Council in November, 1937, and has served as mayor since September, 1938, having been reelected last fall for a second term. His level-headedness and tact in filling this demanding office have been outstanding. Other organizations which will miss his support and participation are the Community Church, the Citizens Association, the Health Association, the Athletic Association, and the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. Mrs. Maurer, Barbara and Suzanne, are remaining in Greenbelt till April, when they will join Mr. Maurer.

George Warner, who has been acting as mayor pro tem, will now assume the mayoralty. A seat in the Council having been left vacant, the town charter calls for the election of a new councilman "as soon as possible" by majority vote of the Council.

Birthday Ball Date Set For February 3

This year the President's Birthday Ball will be jointly arranged by nine Greenbelt organizations. Saturday, February 3, was selected as the date for the dance at a committee meeting last week. Tickets will sell at 50 cents each. Dancing will be from 10 P.M. until 1 A.M. in the Auditorium, with music by Mat Matson's orchestra.

Organizations participating in the sponsorship of the dance are: James Smith, Joe Bargas, Ben Goodman, Tom Freeman, Bernard Jones, Joseph Starke, Leon Benefiel, Mrs. Paul Kasko, Mrs. Tom Freeman, Mrs. Alfred Lehman, Mrs. Lyman Woodman, Mrs. Joseph Reminick, Guy Moore and Charles Wright.

NIGHT SCHOOL HOLDS ANNUAL FETE

More than a hundred guests attended the well planned tea sponsored by the Education Committee of the Citizens Association Sunday afternoon from 4 to 6 P.M. at Greenbelt's display home.

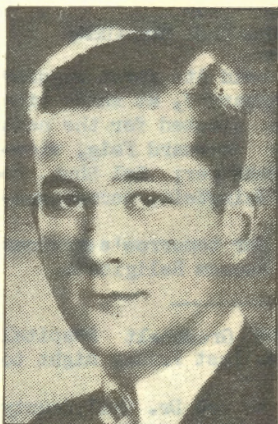
The tea celebrated the completion of a year's work in the town's adult education of which Mrs. Rose Alpher is director. The guests included all night school students, teachers from Greenbelt High and Elementary schools, and heads of organizations interested in adult education.

E. K. Zeller, director of adult education of Prince Georges County was present.

Mrs. Alpher received the guests while Mrs. Roy S. Braden and Mrs. Leon Benefiel and Mrs. Reba Harris poured.

The committee responsible for refreshments included Mrs. Louis Bessemer, Mrs. Wallace Mabey, co-chairmen, and Mrs. Eva Laakso, Mrs. Miriam Provost and Mrs. Leon Benefiel.

The serving committee included Mrs. Kathleen Taylor, Mrs. Gladys Hughes, Mrs. Maxine Melton and Mrs. Ray Peterson.



DAYTON W. HULL



DR. WILL ALEXANDER

HOME OWNERSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Appearing below is a questionnaire prepared by the Special Subcommittee on Housing which everyone who is seriously considering Greenbelt as a place of permanent residence should fill in.

The first step that the committee has to take in exploring the possibilities of a home building program in Greenbelt is to determine the extent of the interest. It then needs some knowledge of the number of people able to make a down payment and the length of time before such payments can be scraped together. Finally, the type and size of homes, while individualized, depends largely on the amount of money which can be spent per month for payments.

Please answer the questions below, therefore, and return them to the committee in care of Dayton W. Hull, 46-B Crescent Road (either by mail or in person, or drop them sealed into the Cooperator Box at the entrance to the Variety Store). It is understood that answers do not obligate in any way.

Name _____

Would you like to build your own home in Greenbelt? _____

Yes _____ Not sure _____

About how long will it take you to save 10% (approximately \$500) of the cost of a six-room house? _____

Have the money now _____ 1 year _____

3 months _____ 2 years _____

6 months _____ 3 years _____

longer _____

What are the maximum payments you feel you could make per month on such a house (payments assumed to include light, heat, and water, taxes and insurance, and amortization of principal and interest over a period of 25 years)? \$40 \$45 \$50 \$60 \$65 \$70 _____

Remarks: _____

County Association Asks For Hospital

Dr. S. R. Berenberg, local director of public health has been appointed member of the by-laws committee of the Prince Georges County Hospital Association.

The County Association, at its regular meeting, January 7, voted to become a permanent organization. Its primary objective clarified before a record attendance of about 100 representatives of leading civic, welfare, and county organizations has been outlined as a drive for the establishment of a county hospital. The next meeting will take place January 22 at the Bladensburg Fire House.

HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIMENTS WITH NEW IDEA

In line with the progressive educational techniques being tried out in the local school system, the Greenbelt High School announces a new departure in extra-curricular activities of the student body.

The opening of the school term saw the high school clubs organized on the usual basis of after-school-hours meetings. An innovation is being tried out in that the clubs, especially the Spanish Club, Hobby Club, Commercial and Dramatic Clubs, now meet during school hours in an effort to determine the effect.

Should this idea develop satisfactorily, the school curriculum will be revised to include a special activity period. The present schedule provides for meetings during the third period on every second and fourth Friday.

The Symphony Group still meets on Friday, during the last period.

Home ownership in Greenbelt became a possibility as a result of a meeting of the special Citizens Association committee on lease tenure and officials of Farm Security Administration last Friday noon. Out of the conference also came the promise of a temporary stay in the application of maximum income restrictions on those residents who are now faced with the spectre of having to move because of recent salary increases.

After a conversation with Dr. Will Alexander, Administrator, and Major John O. Walker, Director Resettlement Administration, which lasted an hour and a quarter, Dayton W. Hull, chairman of the special committee, was given assurances that the entire matter of family income in relation to lease tenure would be reviewed in its relation to the ideas back of the planning of this community. Other members of the steering committee which sat in with the F. S. A. officials were Rev. Robert Kincheloe, Donald H. Cooper, George Warner, and Ruth Taylor.

The possibility of home ownership in Greenbelt developed after Major Walker asked the committee for suggestions which would offer a solution to the tenancy-income problem in the town. The committee responded with two proposals: that families over the income limits be allowed to stay, paying enough increased rent to offset advantages of the higher salary; and that some plan be explored whereby Greenbelt residents who receive raises in salary over the limits set by the Administration can build their own homes.

Both Dr. Alexander and Major Walker were receptive to the idea of building private houses on the large Greenbelt tract of land, and revealed that this had been an early plan developed by F. S. A. and later abandoned.

Details pertaining to the plan will be announced as soon as the Citizens Association committee and F. S. A. have had time to study the proposition a little further. At a meeting of the full committee Sunday night specific questions were listed for Chairman Hull to send to Dr. Alexander. These cover such points as the rental which would be charged for land on a long-term lease, locations available for building, the cost of utilities, and arrangements for financing. A questionnaire is being circulated here in town to ascertain how many are interested in the plan.

Major Walker and Dr. Alexander, in offering their cooperation for the building program, warned that F. S. A. had no funds available for constructing private homes, but that plans and architectural advice could be provided. It has been suggested that residents who are in a position to build their own homes form groups of six or ten or some other convenient number in order to effect savings through group buying contracting.

Although no definite statement could be obtained by the committee on removal of income limitations for those now renting in Greenbelt, definite assurances were made that those now over the limit or at the limit would be allowed to renew their one-year leases until discussions relative to a private program are completed.

COMMITTEE GETS DATA ON TRANSPORTATION SOLUTION

Allan S. Arness, delegate, and Abraham Chasanow, alternate, represented the Greenbelt Citizens' Association at a meeting of the Prince Georges County Joint Committee on Transportation which was held in East Riverdale January 13.

Captain Duke exhibited numerous photographs and moving pictures which he had taken to show the dangerous traffic conditions existing at the Mount Ranier streetcar transfer point. He offered to show these moving pictures to the various Citizens Associations, and Mr. Arness tentatively accepted the offer on behalf of the Greenbelt Citizens Association, subject to approval of a definite date.

C. L. Aiello, attorney for the Joint Committee, stated that the petition requesting a rehearing on the order permitting the Capital Transit Company to operate a shuttle service during off-hours had been filled with the Maryland Public Utilities Commission had been filed, but the Commission has not yet taken any action.

It was urged that members of the various Citizens Associations submit as much evidence as possible pertaining to the hazards and inconvenience created by the change in transportation facilities, so that the Joint Committee could present a strong case at the hearing. It is believed that a reversal of the order can be obtained if those who possess the evidence will present it to their representatives.

The next meeting of the Joint Committee was set for January 27 in Hyattsville.

School Superintendent Will Speak To P. T. A.

The Greenbelt Parent-Teacher Association will have as its guest speaker Mr. Nicholas Orem, superintendent of the Prince Georges County schools, at its regular meeting January 23 in the Auditorium, to which all parents and others interested in children are invited. Mr. Orem will be introduced by Mrs. Catherine Reed, principal of the elementary school. A question period will follow Mr. Orem's talk. The grade mothers will act as hostesses.

The meeting will be conducted by Mrs. S. Hartford Downs, president, who urges that all be there promptly at 8 P.M. The theme of Parent-Teacher work is "Education—The Business Of All".

Office Hours of Doctors and Dentist

This is the new schedule of doctors' and dentist's hours. Please clip this out and save it as this will not be published again in the Cooperator for some time.

Monday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)
4:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)
Night Call - (Dr. Berenberg)
Tuesday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)
7:30 - 8:30 - (Dr. Still, Dr. Silagy)
Night Call - (Dr. Still)
Wednesday..9:00 - 10:00 - Hay Fever and Asthma
10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Still, Dr. Silagy)
Night Call - (Dr. Silagy)
Thursday..10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)
4:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)
Night Call - (Dr. Silagy)
Friday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)
7:30 - 8:30 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)
Night Call - (Dr. Berenberg)
Saturday..10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)
5:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)
Night Call - (Dr. Still)

Phones: Health Association, office.....2121
Dr. Berenberg (home).....2151
Dr. Silagy (home).....2151
Dr. Still (home).....2161

NOTE: The doctor who is on call at night will keep his phone covered at all times. Should it occasionally be necessary to have his phone uncovered for a short time, he will maintain contact with the Greenbelt Hospital or the Greenbelt Drug Store and can be located by calling one of those numbers.

Physical examinations are made by appointment.
Dr. McCarl's hours for dental work are as follows:
Monday.....9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday.....9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
7:00 - 9:30 P.M.
Thursday.....9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Friday.....9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
7:00 - 9:30 P.M.
Saturday.....2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Phones: Office - 2261, Home - 2401

Welfare Committee Explains Drug Fund

In a community where all purchases of all commodities are on a cash basis, an occasion may arise where emergency drugs are necessary. This was foreseen by Mr. Evans who, over a year ago, gave \$10.00 that was to be used as an Emergency Drug Fund. This fund was for the use of the citizens when they were in need of the necessary drugs such as medicines. It was found that the citizens were abusing the use of this privilege and were using it to purchase such articles as shaving cream, etc. Thus, the fund lost its original intent.

The Welfare Committee of the Citizens Association then took charge of this fund to run it on a business basis. However, all services to carry on this work is donated. They added to the original \$10.00. A charge of five cents is made for the use of the loan for fifteen days. This charge is to cover losses or add to the fund. Thanks to the customers for their punctual payments, the entire fund is kept in circulation. At present about 60 families use this privilege, and approximately \$30.00 is turned over every two weeks.

Request for the use of this fund is made at the drug counter. Only necessary drugs can be gotten.

Returning to her home after a month's visit here with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Axelrod of 33-J Ridge Road, Mrs. Susan Feingersh plans to leave Greenbelt for Windsor, Ontario, Canada, next Sunday.



A YEAR AGO

(From the Cooperator, January 19, 1939)

The Greenbelt Health Association held a stormy meeting and discussed the reasons for the decrease in the membership.....

Greenbelters were enjoying the toboggan slide extending from the edge of Block A.....

Mr. Vargas was urging those interested in the transportation problem to get in touch with him and put their shoulder to the wheel.....

Alfred Friendly, a featured Washington reporter was scheduled to speak to the Journalistic Club at their monthly meeting.....

Nominations were in order for the officers of the Journalistic Club and for the staff of the Cooperator for the next six months.....

LATTER DAY SAINTS NEWS

Elders Ezra T. Benson and Ridge Hicks will be the speakers at the Sunday Evening Service to be held at 8:00 in the Social Room. Elder Benson is a member of the Capital District Council and serves as marketing advisor for several western cooperatives. Elder Hicks will be remembered by Greenbelt L.D.S. members as the teacher of the large Sunday School class at the Washington Chapel. Special musical numbers will also be featured on the program.

Ladies Relief Society meeting for January 24 will be held at Mrs. J. B. Pratt's, 32-E Crescent Road at 8:00 P.M. Mrs. Myrtle Maughan will conduct the Social Service lesson.

The men's study class will convene Sunday morning at 8:30 at Guy Alder's, 6-A Parkway.

Anyone interested in attending any L.D.S. meeting is invited to do so.

BEN GOODMAN IS NEW CONGREGATION PRESIDENT

The Hebrew Congregation held its first regular business meeting on Sunday, January 7, at which time the following officers were elected for the next year: Ben Goodman, president; Bernard Feig, vice-president; Isaac Schwartz, treasurer; Sol Shub, recording secretary and Sidney Weinstein, corresponding secretary.

The sermon topic announced for tomorrow's services is "The Place of Woman in the Hebrew Religion".

The Board of Trustees of the Greenbelt Hospital met in the Town Council offices last Friday night to transact regular business.

It was decided by the body to ask Dr. Gill, County Health Officer, to join the Hospital Advisory Board in place of Dr. Hooton, the previous county officer who had moved to South Carolina.

The Ladies Auxiliary turned over \$18.50, raised at a recent bake sale.

CATHOLICS VOTE TO BUILD OWN CHURCH

At a general meeting of the Catholics of Greenbelt in the Social Room last Wednesday it was unanimously decided to proceed with definite plans to build a Catholic Church in Greenbelt. The motion together with the 100 per cent vote was merely an expression of the ambition and desire of every one present.

After Father Fealy gave the report which had been given to him, of the recent meeting held with Mrs. Roosevelt concerning a plan to build a combined church for all religious groups in Greenbelt, it was the consensus of the meeting that pending more encouraging developments for the combined church building the construction of a Catholic Church was the most practical solution to the present problem.

After the decision to proceed with plans for building a church had been reached, a discussion ensued concerning the matter of raising the necessary funds for building. Various plans were suggested, some of which will be put into operation immediately while others will be followed at the proper time. The first efforts will be devoted to obtaining pledges of contributions from members. These pledges will be paid in the weekly envelopes now in use.

Without the cash in hand, and without the definite amount of annual contributions being known, it is practically impossible to determine the time that actual construction might begin. However, the general opinion of the meeting was that no time should be lost. It is known that when the financial schedule has been determined and when the necessary cash is in hand, approval of the general plans must be obtained from His Excellency, the Archbishop of Baltimore. However, this factor has been considered and at the proper time it is expected that all the details will be worked out between the local Catholics, Father Fealy, the Archbishop and Farm Security Administration.

Plan now for the President's Birthday Ball.



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Meditations

by
Robert Lee Kincheloe
Minister to the
Greenbelt Community Church

It is time we turn again to the little pamphlet "The Class in Personal Religion" and read from the writings of Dean Sturges:

"I suppose that the most characteristic and facile desire through which human life has learned to give utterance to itself, is language. We have come to rely upon words as the most ready way in which to express what we ourselves mean. Yet anyone who has ever tried to write in words the thoughts that spring up in his heart and mind, knows what poor implements they are to convey his meaning. Every lover who has tried to express in language the feelings of his inner being has come to feel how poor words are. As some one has well said, 'The advances of truth in the world and its conquest over the souls of men are not made essentially by means of words.' Think of some of the great moments in our earthly experience and you will find that even there Silence is the guerdon of life's highest knowledge and most abiding assurance. We watch the path of the dawn growing wider across an eastward sea, or listen to immortal harmonies until we hear, as Keats puts it, 'the music yearning like a God in pain' and lo, we know something that could never have been told us and that we can never tell. We know with a clearness compared to which the clearest speech is mere jargon. We see with a vision that words, like a flock of birds, would only darken with their wings.

"I do not believe that God could tell us what He is and how He loves in words. The Word did not become words to be printed in a book. 'The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory.' And yet, so many of us seek God in words, in statements and definitions. We look to find God summed up for us in some lucid sentence, made clear and evident in a creed or carried beyond all doubt by a terse bit of logic. We expect our children to be told about God in lesson books.

"The Word of God is always a life. God clothes Himself not with language but with human lives. That is the fundamental meaning of the Gospel of Jesus, and here is the simple lesson that Church must learn again and again...

"Tired of words, tired of controversies, tired of fine distinctions, tired of proofs and claims, I know that men's hearts are crying out, 'Where is now Thy God?' It asks, 'Where is your sympathy, your compassion, your enlightened conscience? Where is your enduring kindness, where are your gracious deeds of consideration, your thoughtfulness, where is your likeness to the spirit of Jesus?' Only through these can we see God, only through these can God make Himself known in life... The only adequate witness for God is something divine in you, if it be but the kindness of those who believe in the kindness of Jesus Christ."

BIBLE CLASS TEAMS ARE NEAR TIE

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Men's Bible Class of the Greenbelt Church Sunday School on next Sunday in an effort to make the biggest attendance on record. Already comparing with some of Greenbelt's largest organizations with an attendance last Sunday of 109, the men are out to vie for honors and end the contest in great style. The contest points last Sunday totaled 800 for the Reds, 700 for the Blues. The total scores at present are 4570 for the Reds, 4530 for the Blues.

CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE OBSERVANCE BEGINS TODAY

It is expected that many Greenbelters will participate in the observance of The Church Unity Octave which begins at 8 o'clock tonight at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Catholic University, in Washington.

The Church Unity Octave is a period of eight days of prayer observed throughout the Church from the Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter at Rome to the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The general purpose of the Octave is to obtain the union of all Christian churches with the Catholic Church, and the conversion of all non-Christians to Christianity.

The Octave was originated in 1908 by the Very Rev. Paul Francis Wattson of the Friars of the Atonement, while this community was still in the Anglican Church. The first fruits of the observance were the submission of this community to the authority of the Pope and the reception of its members into the Catholic Church.

Archbishop Curley will preside over the services tonight, and many prominent speakers are scheduled for the balance of the program.

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OLD AND NEW DIRECTORS MEET TOGETHER AS CONSUMER SERVICES GOES COOPERATIVE



— Photos by Frances Fosnight

Above: Members of the new board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumers Services, Inc., selected by local subscribers January 2. From left to right are Joseph P. Loftus, Howard C. Custer, Mrs. Bertha Maryn, Fred L. Wilde, Walter R. Volckhausen, Mrs. Carnie Harper, Dr. Joe W. Still, Sherrod E. East and Earl J. Swails.

Below: Members of the old board of directors who came to Greenbelt Monday evening, January 3 for a final meeting to make arrangements for the transformation of the corporation into a consumer cooperative. From left to right are Herbert E. Evans, vice president of C. D. C.; Clark Foreman, of P.W.A. and active in cooperatives in Washington; Percy S. Brown, president of C. D. C.; R. N. Benjamin, president of the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau; and Peter J. Carroll, local representative on the board. Standing are Sulo Laakso and George Hodsdon, general manager and office manager, respectively, of G.C.S.; Flint Garrison, of the National Retail Dry Goods Association, and Dr. Linden S. Dodson, the other local representatives on the board, were absent.

CHILDREN GET GRAPHIC BIBLE LESSON

A group of primary children from four to seven years of age met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Deo M. White at 17-C Ridge Road. The children's attention was held to the graphic lesson by Mrs. Charles Sudduth and Miss Betty LaRoche, workers with the Child Evangelism Fellowship, which uses as its guide book "Step by Step Through the Bible with the Children". The Bible is presented in its literal sense with illustrations suitable for the age group included.

Meeting for the last time, members of the old board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., gathered here Monday evening, January 3, and formally acted upon measures which were essential in the transformation of the corporation into a consumer cooperative and turning it over to the subscribers here. They also met with the new directors.

Of the old board, those present were Percy S. Brown, Herbert E. Evans, Clark Foreman, R.N. Benjamin, and Peter J. Carroll. Dr. Linden S. Dodson and Flint Garrison were absent.

Mr. Brown is president of the Consumer Distribution Corporation and Mr. Evans is vice-president of the same organization. Mr. Foreman, who is head of P.W.A.'s power division, is interested in cooperatives in Washington.

Mr. Benjamin, president of the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, is not altogether new to Greenbelt, having participated in the proceedings last October at the Second Annual Cooperative Institute. He is also a member of the Consumer Distribution Corporation's board of directors.

Mr. Garrison, who spoke here in the early days when the citizens set out to organize a cooperative, is connected with the National Retail Dry Goods Association and for many years has been active in the cooperative movement. He was an officer of the Consumer Distribution Corporation for some time and retains his position as a director on the board of that organization.

The purpose of the old board's coming to Greenbelt was to meet with the new directors—those residents who were selected by the subscribers on January 2—to discuss with them reorganization details and to secure their approval of the action taken by the old board in the reorganization procedure.

All members of the new board—Walter R. Volckhausen, Howard C. Custer, Sherrod E. East, Fred L. Wilde, Dr. Joe W. Still, Mrs. Carnie Harper, Mrs. Bertha Maryn, Joseph P. Loftus, and Earl J. Swails—were present.

Others attending the meeting were Sulo Laakso and George Hodsdon, general manager and office manager, respectively, of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., and Miss Dora Maxwell of the Credit Union National Association.

Discussion at the meeting of the old and new boards centered around details which had to be ironed out in order to complete the reorganization of the corporation. A few final legal details are now being cleared up.

I would like to hear from those who desire to practice chamber music. Florens Johansen, Phone 3426.

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It's Your Paper, But...

If I walked up to the city desk of any Washington newspaper and shoved a page of my writing into the hands of the city editor with the order that it must be published verbatim, the story would probably end up in the waste basket. If I repeated this procedure several times I would expect to be thrown out of the office sooner or later. And if I resented this treatment of my contributions I could stop my subscription to the paper—and that would be that.

Few people tell Editor Noyes how to run the Star. Few even get into his office. And his paper, like all other newspapers, prints what he thinks should go into it, written in the form he and his staff approve.

Greenbelt is a small town, and the Cooperator is a small weekly paper with a circulation of only 1100. The staff consists of 35 of our neighbors who devote from 2 to 20 hours a week, without monetary compensation, to give you the town news. Only three of them have ever had previous newspaper experience, but they are learning on the job so that your paper may improve a little each month.

This is a different kind of a newspaper. We want you to bring in news, meeting notices, and expressions of opinion, because that is the only way in which we can build a newspaper which will truly represent the entire community. Our volunteer staff cannot cover the town completely for all news without your help.

We have taken particular pains in recent months to give adequate space to all organizations and groups in Greenbelt, even though the leaders and aims of some are abhorrent to the editors. The Cooperator has no blacklist.

We are in earnest about keeping this as your paper, but our endeavors have been suspected by a few readers. After spending patient hours of explanation to several individuals who refused to believe that our intentions are honorable we decided upon this editorial outlining the rights and responsibilities of our readers.

I. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR—Your letter will be published, no matter what your views, age, color, or religion, unless it is actually libelous. But (a) we reserve the right to return it to you for revision if it is more than 250 words (don't be a pig, leave some room for someone else); (b) we request that you do not send in too many letters too often about the same thing; (c) due to shortage of space in any one issue we may have to hold your letter over for a week or two; (d) don't come down here with fire in your eye because we did not correct your misspelled words—if we doctored up the letters to make them look better some of you would be after our scalps for changing the letters.

II. CALENDAR OF EVENTS—We are not mind readers. If your club meeting is listed at the wrong time or the wrong place tell us about it so we can make a correction in following listings.

III. NEWS—All news must be turned in by 8 P.M. Saturday for publication. Use the locked box behind the door in the Variety Store or drop your material through the door slot of the Cooperator office, Room 202 over the Variety Store. Now this is important—the editors reserve the right to use or discard, change, revise, correct, enlarge, shorten, or otherwise alter any contributions which are submitted for publication (except letters to the editor and poems). This may sound dictatorial to those who have on occasion treated the Cooperator as a mere publicity organ for their own pet activities. This paper is an independent organization, controlled by the entire population through the Journalistic Club. Our purpose is to serve all of you but not to devote ourselves completely to the needs of any one of you. We don't dictate how you shall run your club; don't tell us how to write a news story, or we will ask you why you are not on the staff. We are glad to have suggestions and criticisms at any time, but just leave out the high and mighty stuff.

Your news items will be more satisfactorily handled if you will type double space on one side of the page, giving all the important factors—who, what, when, where, why or how. Be sure to give complete names, for there are several Smiths and Browns in town.

IV. EDITORIALS—These are not signed because the Hatch Act warns that civil service employees must not write for publication on any political subject. (Find me a non-political subject!) The editor writes most of these opinions which appear in the Cooperator, but others are written by staff mem-

bers, and a few are written by persons not even on the staff.

V. ADVERTISEMENTS—Inasmuch as you do not pay a subscription price for the paper which is delivered to you every week, our entire support comes from advertising revenue. Rates are available by calling the business manager or the Cooperator office. Please mention the Cooperator when you buy things from the advertisers, and if several organizations we could mention don't quit using our advertisers to pay for their programs they will eventually find themselves without any paper to give them publicity.

This is about enough for one time. With your cooperation we can have a good newspaper in time. If you don't like what we have said in this column come down to the next Journalistic Club meeting and say so there. It's your paper, but you have to take an interest in it.

Don't Stop Now

The national budget for 1940 has been submitted to Congress and the wheels are being set in motion to provide the funds for the coming year's governmental expenditures. Just how close the Congress will follow the outline set by the budget is not, of course, known. We hope they don't carry it out strictly to the letter.

For several years there have been no funds available for the construction of more Greenbelt towns. But during the last few years the United States Housing Authority has been given monies and the authority to carry on a housing program for low income families. The present budget allows USHA just about enough money to carry on the construction they have started. There are little or no funds provided for new construction.

Is this the end of the government's housing program? We hope not.

A good start has been made towards providing adequate shelter for families who have little to pay for rent. This is a housing field that private business does not seem able to provide for. The government should continue this work.

Hello, Neighbor

One of the finest things about Greenbelt is that cheery "Hello" that is exchanged so frequently along the walks and the shopping center. It makes us feel that we know everybody in town, and that they are all our friends.

In schools the "hello" habit is encouraged and pushed because of its advantages. Here the whole formula has become a part of the community folkway with no conscious intention. It just "grew".

It's a mighty good custom—we want to see it continued. "Hello, Neighbor".

Mrs. Frances Goodman gave a party on Saturday, January 6, in their home 21-H Ridge Road to celebrate the birthday of her husband William and his three brothers, whose birthdays all come in January.

Many friends and relatives from Washington and nearby communities enjoyed the party.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Bauer and their sons Frank and George Jr., have just returned from a six weeks visit to their home in St. Louis, Missouri. The visit was mainly to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of Mrs. Bauer's parents.



Co-op Question Box

GREENBELT CONSUMER SERVICES

HEALTH ASSOCIATION

CREDIT UNION

Q. What medical services are included for members?

A. (1) Generally speaking, all services usually rendered by general practitioners; office calls and phone calls without limit; home calls without limit except that an extra charge of 50 cents is made for the first home call during the day in any one week for any one ill person, and \$1.00 if the call is after 8 P.M. or before 8 A.M.

(2) A yearly, thorough physical examination.

(3) Routine laboratory services. Extra charges are made for the more complicated laboratory services but at a substantial discount in most cases.

(4) Special rates apply to surgery, fracture and obstetrical care amounting to about 40 per cent savings over private patient rates. Other specialized services are arranged for from time to time on a group basis with outside specialists; for example, optometry, treatment of asthma and hay fever, etc.

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Q. How about those 1939 patronage return slips now that the G.C.S. is actually a cooperative?

A. They should be hung onto tightly until after the first annual membership meeting of the Cooperative, Wednesday, February 7. That meeting will decide, on the basis of a report of the Board of Directors, what disposition is to be made of these slips. The Board's report will disclose what dividends may be paid, and the legal and accounting problems involved, and will probably make a recommendation as to the amount, if any, that should be paid. Of course no official word can be forthcoming as to whether the slips will have any value at all, but the present consensus indicates that returns will be paid on them.

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Q. Why is the credit union called the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union?

A. Our credit union has a federal charter issued under an act of Congress. The agency charged with supervising, advising, and educating the credit union movement is the Credit Union Section of the Farm Credit Administration. Each credit union pays a fee for its supervision, and operates its business in accordance with financial principles developed by Farm Credit.

Letters to Editor

TRANSPORTATION

To the Editor:

I know that transportation is having to compete with numerous other important interests in Greenbelt. Nevertheless, I am disappointed at the response to the expressed need of the County's Joint Committee on Transportation for personal, written statements in regard to bad service and unsafe conditions along the Beltsville-Mt. Rainier trolley line. I hear stories—I know they happen. People have been left in Berwyn when the temperature was uncomfortably low. They have had to run through moving traffic at Mt. Rainier to catch a car. They have spent from two to three hours in making a one-way trip to or from Washington. Families have felt they had to leave Greenbelt because of inadequate service. Why aren't these things written down?

The detailed information indicated in previous notices and circulars will increase the value, but is not essential to make a statement effective, and every letter will be valuable.

There is to be an important meeting in Hyattsville on January 27, at which the entire question will be discussed. It is to be an informative meeting. It is also to serve the purpose of getting all groups on record as supporting the action being undertaken. I would certainly like to be able to attend that meeting with a thick sheaf of letters as evidence that Greenbelt was doing its part in the effort to get better transportation.

Only with cooperation can we succeed.

— A. S. Arness

MAYOR COMPLIMENTED

To the Editor:

The most significant fact revealed at the Town Council meeting, January 8, was not the loyalty to an individual exhibited by those who turned out to "avenge" a supposed wrong, nor even that such a large group of people showed an active interest in the public health program of our town. It was that so many people could come to a Council meeting and be so amazingly unaware of its purposes, and the powers and limitations given the Council under the Greenbelt charter. With complete information about local government easily obtainable, it is strange that so many residents could give the appearance of being completely ignorant of the principles of our town's administration. It is strange, too, that these same people could seem to think that the Council has anything but the best interest of the whole town in mind; that the Council is divorced from the feelings and needs of the people.

Our Mayor is to be congratulated on the expert handling of an unruly and difficult meeting.

— Betsy M. Woodman

WOULD SHOW THEM OUT

To the Editor:

Why the petition to the F.S.A. to revise the income limit?

They say that their life and the education of their children is vitally affected. It may be, but how many of these would turn down that raise just because of their child's education or their affection for Greenbelt, if this raise means a transfer to another city?

If there is a natural turnover of population of over 20 per cent due mostly to transfers, how then can any employee think he is permanent?

Greenbelt was planned for the people who couldn't afford to pay so much for a decent place to live. The limit was one of the plans to further cooperation among people with a moderate income. Those whose income is above the set limit can afford to pay a little more for a decent home.

I think we owe a vote of thanks to all our leaders for their work, but show me one outstanding deed that anyone did to merit an exception to the rule. I believe there are others among us who have just as much ability and sound reason to be good leaders.

One of the objects of Greenbelt was to show people what can be accomplished by planning and cooperation. If these people are such ideal leaders, I believe that since they have tasted the fruits of our community life, when they move to other cities, will make good missionaries to foster and show others how to enjoy community spirit.

— L. J. Brosmer

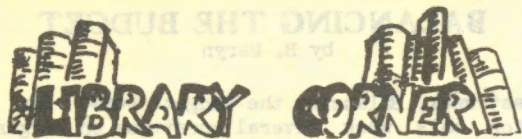
WMAL AT 9:30 TONIGHT

To the Editor:

I believe many citizens of Greenbelt would like to be informed of a radio broadcast tonight, (Thursday) on one of the most important issues of the present day, compulsory health insurance. "Do We Need Compulsory Health Insurance?" is the topic to be discussed on "America's Town Meeting of the Air" over WMAL at 9:30 P.M. Three of the country's foremost authorities will present their views and answer questions from the floor. These are Dr. Henry Sigerist of Johns Hopkins University and rated as the outstanding medical historian of today, and Dr. C. E. A. Winslow an international authority on public health. Dr. Terry Townsend, president of the New York State Medical Society will present the views of the opposition. The writer has mailed a question for the participants to answer. The fact that this nationwide program has chosen a subject of this nature is an indication of the importance of health as a social, political, and economic issue.

— Hugh A. Bone

Mr. Sulo Laakso, on Wednesday, January 10, went to Greenhills, Farm Security Administration's housing project near Cincinnati, Ohio, on loan from Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., to act in a managerial advisory capacity for the cooperative there. He will be in Greenhills for 10 days, returning here January 21.



LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.
Tuesday, Thursday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Saturday	- 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

The following new books have been placed on the library shelves:

Burbank, "Partner of Nature"; Crawford, "The Pressure Boys"; Crow, "Chinese are Like That"; Dana, "The Sacramento"; Deschin, "Finding New Subjects For Your Camera"; Embree, "Indians Of The Americas"; Gassner, "Twenty Best Plays"; Grant, "Forty Famous Ships"; Hackett, "Queen Anne Boleyn"; Hansen, "O. Henry Memorial Award Prize Stories of 1939"; Harding, "Imperial Twilight"; Harrison, "Atoms In Action"; Keith, "Land Below The Wind"; Keyes, "The Great Tradition"; Langewiesche, "I'll Take The High Road"; Limpus, "Honest Cop"; McWilliams, "Factories In The Field"; Mantle, "Best Plays Of 1938-1939"; Milne, "Autobiography"; Pinkerton, "Wilderness Wife"; Ramsay, "American Potters And Pottery"; Untermyer, "This Believing World"; Warbasse, "Cooperation As A Way Of Peace"; Van Dine, "The Winter Murder Case"; Wodehouse, "Uncle Fred In The Springtime"; Baruch, "Parents And Children Go To School"; Fisher, "Children Of God"; "Cyclopedia Of Things To Make".

WITH THE PLAYERS



The next Greenbelt Players meeting is to be a "play-shop play" affair at which the Thornton Wilder one-act play, "Happy Trip to Camden and Trenton" will be presented under the direction of Helen Cowell. The laboratory production is scheduled for Tuesday, January 30 at the Theater, at or about 8:00 P.M. The purpose of such informal test plays as this is to furnish training, experience, and allow for instruction through frank criticism by all members immediately following the play. Plays presented as laboratory works are not complete, finished productions. Ordinarily these plays are limited to members' attendance, but this one is open to the public. Any non-members who wish to attend this play, mention the fact to either President Bill Kinsley or Program Committee Chairman Margaret Miller.

SPOTLIGHTS:

1. The really dead, dead-line for submitting scripts to the Columbia Broadcasting System in Washington for those local drama units participating in the spring radio series has been set at Friday, January 19. It is reported that the local group's script is already in. After all scripts have been reviewed and accepted, C.B.S. officials will then assign production dates by "drawn from the hat" method.

2. It is said that the Community Church pageanters used "The Cradle Song" costumes to good effect in their recent entertainment.

3. A recent rule in the Players accords to each play director a free copy of the script on which he or she is laboring. Sort of a grim reminder!

4. Joseph J. Donley, well-liked as Senator Grey in "Both Your Houses", given here last April, has decamped to California due to employment change.

5. Sid Henes furnished the program meeting material for the meeting on December 14. (Players try to stick to one business, and one program meeting each month). About a dozen thespians congealed at the home of Secretary Lucile Cooper to enjoy the "Gruesome Welles recorded version of "Julius Caesar".

FLASH! Joe Maynard is lined up for Greenbelt Players treasurer's post, replacing Sherrod East, whose resignation takes effect as soon as the returns are cleared on the recent production.

"Bury The Dead", "Men In White" and "Night Must Fall" are the three plays to be presented, one of which will be selected for the Players next production.

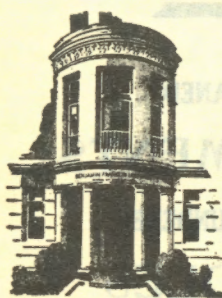
— L. L. Woodman

Welcome to Greenbelt

The following is a list of new arrivals to Greenbelt. The Cooperator takes this opportunity to extend the hand of welcome to:

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Ford 22-C Crescent Road
Mr. and Mrs. James Herbert 11-E Ridge Road

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OUR TOWN: The Office

By Anne Hull

No one cooling his heels in the reception room of the administrative offices can fail to notice either the maps, plans and pictures of Greenbelt which occupy practically the entire wall space or the model under glass against the east wall. The inner offices also have their share of diagrams. Some are factual and some are imaginary, for there is much of Greenbelt which never got any further than paper.

The large aerial photograph hanging over the scale model shows our town from an altitude of about 1000 feet, with the lake in the foreground and the housing units in the distance. It was taken last October by Captain A. E. Nesbitt of the Fairchild Aerial Camera Corporation and is valued at \$24. The office will acquire soon a more recent aerial picture taken from closer range, but has not yet decided where to hang it.

The model under the photograph was made in 1937 at the Resettlement Administration under the supervision of Harry Falls, at one time a Greenbelt resident. It cannot be trusted as a guide, however, as it shows roads which have never been put through and buildings which have never been constructed, such as the Greenbelt Inn. This model was formerly on display for sightseers in a shelter near the water tower, where it could be compared with the actual panoramic view from the top of the hill. This shelter was later moved down the hill to the lake and it is now known as the "picnic house". Although the model is a marvel of careful scaling, the sponge trees look deceptively bushy and shade-producing to one acquainted with the originals. But this is quibbling.

One notices last the regional map of Washington, Baltimore and vicinity, over the stairway. This plots "open" land in green, "problem" land in yellow, and built-up areas in orange. The "problem" land is worn-out farming acreage which is not being put to any constructive use at the present time. Our crescent-shaped community is attached to a sizable chunk of green, surrounded by yellow, with no built-up areas shown nearer than Baltimore and Washington, which appear as irregular orange patches.

Upon passing into the inner sanctum of Mr. Braden's office, a visitor may notice a water color which shows a group of people down at the lake swimming from a non-existent beach beside the dam. The artist, Richard Jansen, apparently was not told that swimmers sported from the opposite bank, without benefit of beach, in the days when swimming in the lake was permitted. He has depicted in addition some fancy tree planting which is entirely imaginary. Another of Mr. Jansen's works appears next door in Mr. Fulmer's office, and shows different stages in the building of the housing units. Some foundations are seen in the foreground. In the background are some partially completed units as they looked in their red brick underwear before the top dressing of cement and paint had been applied. Mr. Jansen's water color of the Greenbelt Inn, projected but never built, is on view in the Council Room. A site between the business center and Parkway was surveyed for it, and numerous plans drawn, but the project was dropped when the Hotel Survey gave as its opinion that the Inn would be too near Washington to pay.

Another unrealized project pictured on the walls of the Council Room is that of "Greenbelt Farms". At one time there was a plan on foot to build, in the outskirts of Greenbelt, small houses with adjoining tracts of land suitable for farming. This idea was abandoned for lack of funds.

One of the maps in Mr. Vincent's and Mr. Walls' office indicates units decorated with oil, with casein, and those with both varieties of paint. It also shows vacant houses and garages, and plots the location of radio aerials.

Whether you prefer fact or fancy, a tour of our "municipal art gallery" may interest you. It is over whelming to realize all the careful planning which went into building Greenbelt, and it is not surprising that certain projects are, and probably will remain, on paper only.



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I concur with the report of the Special Committee on Community Life of the Citizens Association published last week, but for somewhat different reasons than those given. I too believe that those who win regular salary increases at their work, should be encouraged, other things being equal, to remain in Greenbelt, but I do not believe that the success of Greenbelt, nor the welfare of the families concerned, would be seriously jeopardized if such were not the case.

I merely think that the history of Greenbelt will be more significant, that Greenbelt will be a better demonstration of the possibilities of community life, if it comprises a broad cross section of ability, points of view, and ages. And since the rents we pay preclude Greenbelt from being a cheap housing project and providing haven for the under privileged, I think we must do all we can to make Greenbelt the best demonstration community possible.

But I do not have much sympathy for the argument that the man who gets the best salary is the best leader, or even the best community planner. Something more than technical or professional proficiency and/or office politics is certainly needed in the leader; often it is not needed for the wage increases.

Emphatically do I deplore the contention that the good leader will not lead unless he is assured there is something in it for him for years to come. I am certain that a good citizen will be a good citizen for a year as well as for a life-time. Indeed, although ideally I agree children should not be moved about, I can not be too sorry for children whose fathers are winning salary increases and who have had a progressive education experience. Both these good fortunes will help them, even if they do have to move—and the moving may ultimately mean the spread of progressive education.

Good citizens build their communities—as good parents provide for their families—by building well as they go along. They build well, in both cases, even though in the first case they know not how long they will live in the community and though in the second case they know that many of the rewards therefrom will be forthcoming beyond their lifetimes.

— Howard C. Custer

Calendar Of Events

Thursday, January 18

Legion Post	8:00 P.M.	Legion House
Mothers Club	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Women's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium

Friday, January 19

Credit Union	6:30 - 9:00 P.M.	Meeting Room
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Health Association	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Hebrew Congregation	8:30 P.M.	Music Room

Saturday, January 20

Gun Club	2:30 - 5:00 P.M.	Range
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	Meeting Room
Confession	7:30 P.M.	27-A Ridge Rd.
Square Dance	9:30 P.M.	Jr. Recreation

Sunday, January 21

Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A.M.	Theater
Mass	9:00 A.M.	Theater
Community Church School	9:30 A.M.	Auditorium
Community Church Choir	10:00 A.M.	Home Economics
Community Church	11:00 A.M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Sunday School	10:30 A.M.	Music Room
Gun Club	1:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Range
Young Peoples Society	6:45 P.M.	Community Bldg.

Evening Hour-Community		
Church	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Latter Day Saints	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Christian Science	8:00 P.M.	Music Room

Monday, January 22

Cub Den	7:00 - 8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	Meeting Room
Town Council	8:00 P.M.	Council Room
P.-T.A.	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Hospital Group	8:00 P.M.	Room 200

Tuesday, January 23

Girl Scouts #17	3:15 P.M.	Social Room
Girl Scouts #18	7:30 P.M.	Auditorium
Bowling League	7:30 P.M.	College Park
Welfare Committee	8:00 P.M.	Room 200

Wednesday, January 24

Junior Choir	7:00 P.M.	Music Room
Holy Name Society	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Bridge Club	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium

Places to Go

The COOPERATOR lists below Advertisers who offer a wide variety of food, beverages and entertainment. They are helping Greenbelt to build its paper so we ask our Readers to try these Advertisers before going elsewhere.

Starlight Inn Baltimore Boulevard. Quality Food, Pabst Blue Ribbon on draught - Dancing every night. Orchestras Friday and Saturday.

Varsity Grill College Park, Maryland. We offer a late supper and early breakfast, lunch and dinner, beer and wine. "Wind up that Party at the Varsity Grill."

Whalen's Sea Food Restaurant 4512 Rhode Island Avenue, Brentwood, Md. Delicious Dinners, Mixed Drinks, Dancing. See our Pit Barbecue. Private Dining Room for Clubs and Parties. Oyster Roast every Sunday 2:00 P.M. until 7.



MRS. GREENBELT



Good Evening, Mrs. Greenbelt

A cross section of my brain tonight would closely resemble a microscopic slide of a drop of water, mostly fluid but teeming with millions of seemingly unrelated bodies, all making faces at each other and all doing dervish dances, unmindful of the steps executed by others.

I want to especially ask you to give consideration to the question of the lack of a County Sealer of Weights and Measures, and whether any duty devolves upon us as County citizens to urge the appointment of such an official.

I also want to again remind you of the open sessions of the Food Standards Committee, to be held on January 26, 29 and 31.

There are probably fifty other things I want to call to your attention but I can't think of them. The truth of the matter is that I'm planning to drive down to see my mother and father next week and I'm delirious, partly with joy and partly with trying to get all three children lined up for the trip. See you in a couple of weeks.

— Peggie Arness

Better Buyers Club Demonstrates Pre-Pay Day Dinner

Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, Mrs. Kathleen Taylor and Mrs. Madeline Conklyn were responsible for the menu exhibited Saturday, January 13 at the Food Store as a pre-pay-day economical dinner. The cost of the dinner amounted to about \$1.25 but the meat loaf, as given with the recipe, will serve persons from 12 to 15 portions, so that the cost of the dinner is actually less for a small family. Just in case you forgot to take home the recipes, or didn't get to the Food Store on Saturday, we are pleased to reprint what we consider two excellent recipes.

MEAT LOAF

2 lbs. ground beef	1 teaspoon salt
2 cups crushed corn-flakes or breadcrumbs	1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 egg	1 cup boiling water
	4 strips bacon

1 cup tomato juice

Add cornflakes or breadcrumbs and beaten egg to meat. Add tomato juice and seasonings. Mix and pack into bread pan to shape. Turn out of bread pan into a small roasting pan. Pour boiling water over meat and place bacon across top. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for 45 minutes to 1 hour.

CHOCOLATE PIE

2 cups scalded milk	2 tablespoons cornstarch
2 eggs	pinch of salt
1/3 cup cocoa	vanilla
	1/2 cup sugar

Combine cocoa, sugar, salt and cornstarch and stir in egg yolks. Add milk slowly and place in top of double boiler until thickened. Pour into baked pie shell. Make meringue by beating egg whites until stiff and add 3 tablespoons sugar. Bake in slow oven.

BETTER BUYER BRIEFS

On the evening of January 10 Mrs. Ethel Henshaw was hostess to the Nifty Shoppers Club at her home, 5-A Ridge Road, with 15 members present. The club welcomed one new member.

Mrs. Helen Heine gave a report on "Headache Remedies" from the Consumers Union Reports.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Edna Keagle, 40-F Crescent Road on January 24.

Miss Hoffman Delegate To Peace Conference

Miss Ollie Hoffman, former cooperative educational director for Greenbelt Consumer Services, will represent the National and International Women's Cooperative Guild at a conference called by the Peace and Disarmament Committee of the Women's International Organizations, to be held in Washington the week of January 22.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Dr. Nielsen, former President of Smith's College; and Clarence H. Striet, author of "Union Now" are scheduled to speak.

Mrs. Erma Volk, secretary of the Hospital Auxiliary, who has left Greenbelt for the Midwest, was given a surprise farewell party by the members of the Executive Committee on January 12. She was presented with a gift in token of the excellent work done by herself in the organization of the Auxiliary.

Greenbelt's New Babies

Leslie Edward Jackson was born January 9 in the Greenbelt Hospital. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Jackson.

Howard ("Last Stand") and Dorothy Custer announce the birth of a son, Godfrey Peter, at the Greenbelt Hospital at 8:40 A.M., January 15. Young Peter weighed in at 6 pounds, and both he and his mother are doing well.

I HOPE I WORRY

Last fall when I told my mother and father that I was going to have a baby, their joy was distinctly moderate. When my intimate friends heard the news, they greeted it with well-tempered enthusiasm. I was delighted, but, I was told, I should be worried. How did we dare to bring a child into a world where steel could go down to 97? Didn't we know that modern parents should have harvested a savings account of ten thousand dollars and be assured of at least three thousand dollars a year before they ever achieved parenthood?

When I had a miscarriage, they were even more outspoken. It was just as well, they told me consolingly. Children were a source of constant anxiety from the moment of their birth. Look at the Whitneys' son, mentally deficient and morally degenerate. Look at the McCabes' daughter, who spoiled her social career by marrying the garage mechanic.

No one can say I haven't been warned, but I still hope to have, not one child, but two or more, and I hope I shall worry.

About what? Certainly I shan't worry about those four years in college that my friends consider so necessary. I have seen too many children sent to college at a tremendous sacrifice on the part of their parents—children who had no aptitude or desire for an education beyond high school. On the other hand, I have seen five children in one family, my husband's, earn their own college degrees, and a self-education in the bargain. If my children want an education, they'll get it. I don't worry about that.

I hope I worry about their eagerness and curiosity, their hunger to learn—not necessarily about the geological structure of the Grand Canyon or the first manuscripts in Anglo-Saxon, but about anything and everything that is not superficial and obvious.

I shan't worry about problems of sexual and social adjustment, but I hope I worry about my children's respect for other people and their refusal to exploit others for their own pleasure or profit. I hope I worry about their being social and gregarious animals, and about all, about being tolerant and quick to understand others. I hope I get a few gray hairs when my son talks about Jews or Roman Catholics as if they were men from Mars, strange and unpleasant and "impossible". I hope I stay awake at night when my daughter says of a classmate, "She's all right, but her father's a meterman". And when they begin to measure success and failure by the possession of things (Mother, they have three Packards!), I hope I lose my appetite!

I hope I worry about my children's false standards, their jingoism, their militarism, and their irreverence. It won't bother me a bit if they join a church other than ours, or refuse to go to Sunday School. I shan't turn a hair over a slight touch of atheism or agnosticism. But I hope I worry about that blindness and deafness of the heart which holds reverence for nothing and can be left unmoved by mystical experiences.

I hope I worry about a passion for money, that false standard based on personal exploitation of others. When my son tells me with bated breath that the father of his new acquaintance makes a hundred thousand a year, I hope my heart will sink. If the question as to how that money is earned doesn't trouble or even interest him, I hope I shall not be too feeble or infirm to smack him properly. He'll want money, I imagine, because he is an American. But I'll worry about what he wants it for. He'll want power by the same token, but I'll have anxious hours about the way he uses it.

Perhaps,—no, probably—a strange sea-change will come over me when the children for which I hope are actually mine. I may become so passionately involved with them, as apart and distinct from the rest of the world, that it will matter terribly whether or not they belong to the Junior League and the Harvard Club. My hope of salvation lies in the fact that I am my mother's daughter. She worried about her children and taught me how it should be done! She cared about our personal integrity, about our desire for honesty and peace and social justice. She worries to this day over the lack of judgment and balance and wisdom we show in managing our lives. But I honestly believe that she worries, not so much because we are here, and therefore should be happy and healthy and President of the Women's Club, but because we are people; because the decisions and conclusions at which we arrive, the standards and principles we embrace, are an influence on the community, no matter how obscure our lives may be.

I hope I worry about my children as part of a new generation in a new world; as decisive factors, with millions of others, in issues of war and peace, and in the government of this country. I hope that I and my husband worry so consistently and generously and liberally that we do something about it; that our midnight watches and sleepless dawns startle us out of complacent suburban parenthood; that we, and all our generation, shall care so furiously about the world we shall not live to see, that we never quite relax into placidity.

I hope I have a baby. And I hope I worry.

— Anonymous
From Scribners—1936

Make your plans to attend the President's Birthday Ball, February 3.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

by B. Maryn

Last week, Balancing the Budget posed for discussion this week several questions on margarine. Consumers Counsel of the Department of Agriculture has prepared an excellent resume of the subject which we take liberty to quote in full.

"People often ask whether there is any difference in the food value of margarine and butter. Here is what the Consumers' Guide, publication of the Consumers Counsel Division of the AAA says about it.

Margarine and butter are both predominantly fats. Under Federal laws butter must contain at least 80 per cent butterfat, and under Federal regulations margarine must contain 80 per cent fat.

Now fats are high-calorie foods which are important in the diet because they are a rich source of energy. They rank above any other kind of food in fuel or energy value. A pound of butter, or margarine, for example, furnishes about 3,400 calories.

For energy purposes, there is little to choose between the various kinds of pure fat. They are all, more or less, equally digestible, and equally rich in fuel value.

However, since neither butter nor margarine is all fat, there are differences between them.

Apart from the fact that people eat butter because they like it, its consistency is desirable as a bread spread. Further, butter contains two important vitamins, A and D. The amount of these vitamins in butter depends upon the diet of the cows that produced the milk from which the butter was made. Thus the Vitamin-A content of butter may range all the way from about 1,400 International Units per pound up to 27,000 International Units per pound. The vitamin-D content of the butter depends upon how much sun and also on the kind of food the cows get.

Margarine's value as a source of vitamins depends upon its ingredients. Animal-fat margarines containing a substantial proportion of oleo oil may have some Vitamin-A value. Under a ruling of the Meat Inspection Service animal-fat margarines are not permitted to be fortified with vitamins.

Margarines churned in whole milk, whether made from animal or vegetable fats, have such Vitamin-A value as the milk contributes.

Vegetable oils used in margarine manufacture do not contain Vitamin A and D. However, manufacturers of some vegetable margarines fortify their products with vitamin concentrates.

A pound of the fortified margarine provides at least 7,500 International Units of Vitamin-A, the amount in a pound of so-called 'average' butter. Such margarines also contain some Vitamin-D. To find out whether or not a margarine is fortified, read the label.

Obviously, if butter and margarine were the only sources of these vitamins, either butter or the fortified vegetable margarines would be essential in the diet.

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KANN IS REP VICTIM IN CLOSE SCORE

Breaking a tie three times in the last quarter, the Greenbelt Reps, paced by Captain Jack Cain, who scored 9 points, put on that last minute spurt and defeated the S. Kann basketball team 32 to 29 in a very exciting game last Saturday night at the School Gym.

Trailing 14 to 15 at half time, Greenbelt saw that lead increase with the second team in there, and the visitors entered the final quarter with a 24 to 20 advantage. This was short lived, as Cain and Company started to move, tying the score and then going on to win by three points.

In the preliminary, the Greenbelt Volleyball team played their first game with an out of town team, and were beaten 2 to 1 by the Treasury Department's Secret Service Uniformed force sextet. The scores were 15-9, 9-15, and 15-10.

BOX SCORE									
GREENBELT	POS	G	F	PTS	S. KANN	POS	G	F	PTS
Cain	f	3	3	9	Zanlotti	f	4	3	11
Abrahams	f	0	1	1	Aquilino	f	1	2	4
Marack	f	1	1	3	Quigley	c	2	0	4
Barker	f	0	0	0	Scheel	g	1	0	2
Blanchard	c	3	0	6	Loube	g	2	3	7
Klepser	c	1	0	2	Emmert	g	0	0	0
McDonald	g	3	0	6	Sarfori	g	0	1	1
Boggs	g	0	1	1					
Giersch	g	1	0	2					
Alder	g	1	0	2					
TOTALS		13	6	32					

REFEREE: Taylor

Sunday afternoon, January 14, the Reps travelled to Laurel to engage the Laurel Motor Quintet, and emerged victorious by the score of 37 to 33 for their eighth victory of the season. McDonald led the attack on the Motormen with 14 points scored, while Klepser and Giersch each accounted for 8 points.

RECREATION NEWS

The elementary school basketball league started Thursday, January 11 at 3:15 P.M. In the first game Donald Brewer's team defeated Donald Fitzhugh's team by the score of 21 to 5. Donald Brewer was the outstanding player on the winning team while Donald Fitzhugh was the best for the losing team.

BOX SCORE									
BREWERS	POS	G	F	PTS	FITZHUGH	POS	G	F	PTS
Donald Brewer	F	6	1	13	Harry Fitch	F	0	0	0
Bobby Pfarr	F	1	0	2	Renny Ward	F	0	0	0
H. Fitzhugh	C	2	0	4	D. Fitzhugh	C	1	0	2
G. Neilson	G	1	0	2	S. Cragen	G	0	0	0
R. Reno	G	0	0	0	S. Fickes	G	0	1	1
P. Strickler	G	0	0	0	D. Coulter	G	1	0	2
TOTALS		10	1	21			2	1	5

In the second game Donald Wolfe's team defeated Dick Palmer's team by the score of 12-4. Donald Wolfe was the high scorer of this game with 6 points.

BOX SCORE									
WOLFES	POS	G	F	PTS	PALMERS	POS	G	F	PTS
D. Wolfe	F	3	0	6	Coulter	F	1	0	2
T. Fox	F	2	0	4	Burke	F	0	0	0
L. Hedges	C	1	0	2	Palmer	C	1	0	2
D. Nelson	G	0	0	0	Eshbaugh	G	0	0	0
J. McCarl	G	0	0	0	Bishop	G	0	0	0
TOTALS		6	0	12			2	0	4

REFEREES: Holochwest and Goldfaden

The next games will be held Thursday, January 18.
Warner's vs. Freeman's 3:15 P.M.
Brewer's vs. Wolfe's 3:45 P.M.



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Greenbelt High Whips Laurel By 31 to 23 Score

The Greenbelt High School "Grizzlies" smashed their way to a hard-fought victory in their second game of the season by a score of 31-23 over Laurel High School.

The game was played on Friday, January 12, in the Greenbelt gym. Greenbelt beat Laurel in both games played last year and hence it was not an especially feared team this year, but at the halfway mark, things looked peculiar, if you have a sense of humor, because the score was 14-10 in favor of Laurel. This score was evened up in the second half, however, and Greenbelt pulled, slowly, but furiously out in front.

This was the first victory of the year for the "Grizzlies", having lost their first game to Oxon Hill, with a chalkup of 45-41.

The "Grizzlies" have a pretty full schedule from here on out. On Wednesday, January 17, they play Bladensburg in the Greenbelt gym at 8:00 P.M.; on Friday, January 19, they play Maryland Park in the Greenbelt gym at 3:00 P.M.; on Saturday, January 20 they play Kensington in the Kensington gym at 8:00 P.M., and on Tuesday, January 23, they play Sherwood in the Sherwood gym at 3:00 P.M.

The Greenbelt cheer-leaders, Frances Hardy, Bobby Bonham, and Mike Loftus, will be present at home-games of the team, and most of the games played elsewhere.

Box score for the Laurel game looked like this:									
GREENBELT	POS	G	F	PTS.	LAUREL	POS	G	F	PTS.
Andrus	f	1	2	2	Murphy	f	3	3	9
Bell	f	0	0	0	Merson	f	2	0	4
Buck	f	1	1	2	Roisinson	C	3	0	6
Ahrens	C	0	0	1	Kerkins	F	0	0	0
Underwood	C	4	3	9	Ostmann	G	0	4	0
Clark	G	1	2	3	Stanofield	G	0	2	0
Porter	G	4	0	9	Snyder	G	2	0	5
Alexander	G	0	2	1					
Egli	G	2	3	4					
TOTALS		13	13	31			10	9	23

Table Tennis Champ Will Prelim Hoop Game

On Saturday, January 20, 1940 at 7:30 P.M. in the School Gym, the Greenbelt Table Tennis team will put on an exhibition against a fast team brought from Washington D.C. by the Recreation Department. This team will be led by Eddie Yap, former Illinois state champion and seventh ranked nationally. His teammates will be Sonny Saderigli, Ben Whiting and Charles Peas. The Greenbelt team will be Bill Blanchard, Abe Chasanow, Joe Cosby and Marvin Wofsey. Hannah Copperman, U. S. Government women's champion will also play a set against Polly Wofsey, Greenbelt titleholder.

Immediately following these matches, the Greenbelt A.C. Representative Quintet will engage the Social Security Board basketball team of Washington, D.C.

Ladder Badminton Tournament

The Women's Badminton Tournament will end Thursday, January 18 at the close of gym. Those at the top of the ladder will be declared the winners.

The present standing of the team is as follows:

1. Bowman and Sansone
2. Walker and Underwood
3. Wofsey and Martone (lowered two rungs for not playing)
4. Colletti and Ketcham
5. Dennard and Pinkney
6. Hesse and Brennon
7. Goldfaden and Talbott
8. Kyle and Platner
9. Olsen and Dobbin

GREENBELT "HI" GIRLS LOSE FIRST GAME

The Greenbelt High School Girl's Basketball team journeyed over to Bowie last Thursday and played a very fine game of Basketball, although they were defeated 19-14. Up until the last two minutes of play the score was tied most of the time with first Greenbelt leading and then Bowie. This was the game of the season for Greenbelt. Their team looks very promising for the future, with such brilliant players as their manager little Helen Zoellner and captain Mildred Zoellner to help guide them. The team was accompanied by Miss Dungan, their coach, and Miss Smith, their faculty advisor.

We would like to see Greenbelt play Bowie in their own gym. Bowie has a very small gym, which is hard to play in.

THE LINE UP FOR THE GREENBELT TEAM

NAME	POSITION	POINTS
H. Zoellner	Fwd.	6
F. Goode	fwd.	6
Welsh, M.	fwd. and guard	2
M. Zoellner	guard	0
N. Stevens	guard	0
P. Warner	fwd. and guard	0

Greenbelt Women Bowlers Begin Second Half

On January 8, at the College Park Bowling Alleys, amid the din and raucous noises of a larger crowd than usual of spectatorial sympathizers, the Women's Bowling League inaugurated bowling in the year 1940 with the second-half of their bowling schedule.

The battle for the lead has been, thus far, nip and tuck, with the ARCADE SUNSHINE team on top one week only to give place to the STARLIGHT team the following week. HOLBROOK continues to hang on to the heels of the leaders, continually waiting for an opportunity to hamstring those ahead and slip into at least temporary leadership. the OUTLAWS present some new faces in their line-up, namely, Blanchard, Abrahams, and Schultz, hoping to be strengthened thereby and become a strong contender before the season ends.

STANDING OF TEAMS

TEAM	W	L	H.G.	H.S.	PINS	AVE.
Starlight	11	7	518	1004	8284	460-4
Arcade Sunshine	11	7	488	963	8262	459
Holbrook	10	8	488	940	8135	451-17
Robins	7	11	478	900	7898	438-14
Outlaws	5	11	475	934	7071	441-15

High Team Game - Starlight, 517; Holbrook and Arcade Sunshine, 488.
High Team Set - Starlight, 1004; Arcade Sunshine, 963
High Ind. Ave. - Dove, 89-15; Martone, 84-9.
High Game - Wofsey, 128; Timmons, 123.
High Set - Wofsey, 213; Dove, 205.
High Flat Game - Ahasey - 93; Green, 87.
High Strikes - Dove 4; Wright and Wofsey, 3.
High Spares - Dove 18; Sansone, 15.

Greenbelt Bowling League

Under an avalanche of pins at College Park last Tuesday evening, January 9, 1940, the MUSKETEERS, leaders in the league, went down to a crushing defeat, losing 2 out of 3 games to the fast moving BUCKEROOS. The sixth place CRESCENTS established a new high team game of 573 in their match with the STARLIGHT #1 team, but dropped the odd game. The SCRIBES moved up one notch when they took 2 out of 3 from STARLIGHT #2, who lost the first game by over 100 pins when the SCRIBES rolled a 542.

In the other games of the evening, two shutouts were registered when the CONSUMER SERVICES and HOLI-ROLLERS blanked the AMERICAN LEGION and ROMANS respectively; the CARDINALS took 2 out of 3 from the LIONS; the EAGLES nosed out the JAGUARS two to one in their match; and the BLUES took the odd game from the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS team.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

TEAM	WON	LOST	FINFALL
Musketeers	35	16	26092
Starlight #1	33	18	24712
Lions	32	19	24438
Cardinals	30	21	24442
Buckaroos	30	21	24005
Crescents	29	22	24670
Scrites	27	24	22928
Starlight #2	27	24	22846
Consumer Services	26	25	23833
Eagles	25	26	24278
Jaguars	24	27	25329
Holi-Rollers	21	30	23161
Knights of Columbus	19	32	22946
American Legion	18	33	22522
Romans	18	33	20796
Blues	14	37	23274

High Team Game - Crescents 573; Musketeers 565.
High Team Set - Musketeers 1665; Crescents 1595.
High Ind. Game - Lastner 151; Temple 147.
High Ind. Set - Temple 415; MacEwen 380.
High Strikes - Temple 31; Dove 27.
High Spares - Temple 145; Araujo and Millbrook 108.
High Flat Game - Allen 95; Miller and H. Wood 94.
High Ind. Aver. - Temple 119-17; Araujo 107-42; Millbrook 106-39; MacEwen 105-26; Lastner 105-41; Henshaw 104-36.

BOWLING SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 23, 1940

Alleys 1 and 2 - Blues	vs. Cardinals	7 P.M.
3 and 4 - Musketeers	vs. Eagles	7 P.M.
5 and 6 - K. of C.	vs. Buckaroos	7 P.M.
7 and 8 - Lions	vs. Jaguars	7 P.M.
1 and 2 - Starlight 1	vs. Scrites	9 P.M.
3 and 4 - Cons. Ser.	vs. Romans	9 P.M.
5 and 6 - Crescents	vs. Amer. Leg.	9 P.M.
7 and 8 - Starlight 2	vs. Holi-Rollers	9 P.M.

Athletic Club Banquet Tickets Now on Sale

The Greenbelt Athletic Club, through its Committee, is planning to hold its Second Annual Banquet on February 19, 1940, and the tickets for this event went on sale last Monday, January 15.

The price of the tickets has been reduced 33-1/3 per cent, from \$1.50 to \$1.00, but the high standards set for the first banquet will be maintained and every effort will be made to make the second one bigger and better than the first. The Committee assures everyone that the value returned will be more than the amount paid.

Judge Baily Reigns After 14 Years Service



Judge Bailey.



Mr. Mulligan.

Judge Alfred D. Bailey of Bladensburg completed 14 years of service as head of the Prince George County Federation of Citizens Associations last week, when Walter F. Mulligan of Daniels Park was elected president. Other officers elected at the meeting were: William G. Copely of Silver Hill, vice-president; George McCoy, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Genevieve Stewart, East Riverdale, recording secretary, and Fred W. Gast of Cheverly, treasurer.

In a report covering his presidency, Judge Bailey gave credit to the Federation for the widening of the Defense highway, the removal of the breakwater at Bladensburg and the widening of the Edmonston road. The federation also aided in obtaining added county police and a desk clerk, getting the new Bladensburg elementary and high schools and started the county hospital movement and pushed the flood-control project.

Formation of a County Hospital Board was reported by Committee Chairman Frank Firestein. A statement in his report that "with 80,000 residents in Prince Georges County, we have no hospital" was warmly corrected by Mrs. Katherine Arness in pointing out that Greenbelt has a very well equipped though small hospital.

Senators and representatives were asked in a motion adopted by the Federation to support the plans of President Roosevelt to provide hospitals in areas unable to afford them.

Incidents were reported indicating wide practice of short weights and measures throughout the county, and it was urged by all present that every effort be made to secure a Sealer of Weights and Measures at the next session of the Legislature.

When Judge Bailey assumed his office with the Federation it consisted of three organization members. There are now 27 organizations participating of which Greenbelt Citizens Association is one of the newer participants.

Representing Greenbelt at the elections and business meeting were Delegates A. S. Arness, Katherine Arness and Marie Bargas.

CUSTER LAUNCHED ON FIRST DIRECTOR'S TASK

Representing Greenbelt's consumer cooperative, Howard C. Custer, one of the new directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., spent Saturday and Sunday at Saddle River, New Jersey, attending the two-day Recreation Leadership Conference which was sponsored by the Eastern Cooperative League.

Mr. Custer went first to New York City on Friday where he met Herbert E. Evans, vice-president of Consumer Distribution Corporation, and accompanied him on a trip through Knickerbocker Village, a low-cost and limited-dividend apartment house project. They also visited the mid-town Co-op Cafeteria.

The purposes of the conference, held at Shady-side Lodge—which is run by the Young Women's Christian Association of New York as a conference headquarters from September to May—was to stimulate interest in developing recreation activities in local cooperative programs, to demonstrate effective forms of cooperative recreation, and to give leadership training.

LAAKSO ADDED TO CO-OP TRAINING FACULTY

The general manager of Greenbelt's consumer cooperative, Sulo Laakso, has been selected as a member of the faculty for the course in Cooperative Food Store operation which is being given by the new Council for Cooperative Business Training, according to an announcement received last week from Herbert E. Evans, chairman of that organization. Mr. Laakso's participation will probably be limited to giving field training in the local store.

The 16-week training program will continue from February 5 to May 24 and will include both classroom studies in New York City for theoretical instruction and training in selected cooperative stores under the direction of the local manager and representatives of the Council's teaching staff.

During the course of this field training, each student will be associated with two different stores for an interval of three weeks each.

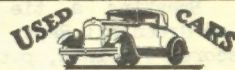
RETROACTIVE PATRONAGE RETURN CONTEMPLATED

The Cooperator has learned on very good authority that the new board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., is planning to recommend to the membership that a patronage return for purchases during the year 1939 be made.

Therefore, we would advise patrons to keep their slips, pending developments.

Full details of the meeting, of the board's decision with respect to the patronage return and of instructions regarding the turning in of patronage return slips will be available in next week's Cooperator.

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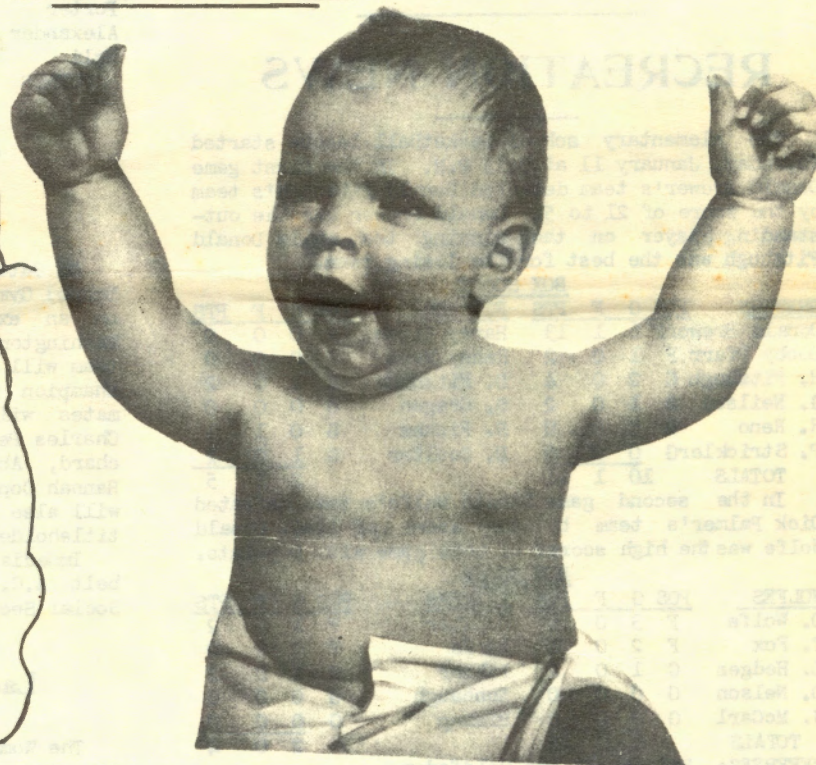
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